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PATENT APPLICATION
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 Title : MOVABLE COVER FOR RIGIDIFYING)
) AND/OR PROTECTING THE FRONT)
) FACE OF AN ARTICLE OF FOOTWEAR,)
) SUCH AS A SNOWBOARD BOOT)

REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF JUNE 29, 2004

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Sir:

In reply to the final Office action dated June 29, 2004, please enter the following amendment.

For reasons explained in the "Remarks" section below, Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections, and the allowance of the instant application.